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1. Joint Russo-Polish plans for the defense of the Baltic coast have involved the complete overhauling of the airport at Peenemünde (). Three thousand Russian and Polish officers and non-coms are now training there, with their families quartered at Karlshagen (). A new type of guided missile is being experimented with by German specialists, and is reported to have produced astonishing results ().
2. The installations on Rügen Island are being rushed to completion, with batteries at ten-kilometer intervals (). Trawler fleets, allegedly intended for the transport of troops and munitions, are under construction at Wolgast ().
3. The Soviet tactics at present are to force the United States into a long war of attrition in China. After five years of such a war the Russians expect that the United States will be at the mercy of the Soviet Union.

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4. Poland now has 890,000 fully trained troops (). The USSR, together with Poland and the other satellites, can immediately call up four million trained, well equipped soldiers (). Source remarks in this connection that the West has a total of only 20-30 untrained, poorly equipped divisions.

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